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Mr. Will Kempton, Director California Department of Transportation 1120 N Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Ross A. Chittenden, Division of Transportation Programming, MS-82

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: San Joaquin Council of Governments' 2004 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 7

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed their review of the San Joaquin Council of Governments' (SJCOG) 2004 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 7 submitted by your letter dated May 24, 2005. The amendment includes changes to the local and transit elements of the FTIP by adding or modifying projects funded by the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program.

In accordance with 23 CFR 450 and the July 15, 2004, Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX, we approve this amendment, with the exception of the following project, which is not eligible for CMAQ funding:

o Initial Fleet Conversion SJC Clean Diesel Fuel—On Road Vehicles, \$1,032,500.

We find that the amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 and Section 5303 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC 53). The approved changes made to the FTIP by this amendment do not result in the need to make a conformity determination. Therefore, we find that the FTIP continues to conform to the applicable State Implementation Plan.

This letter also constitutes approval and inclusion of SJCOG's 2004 FTIP Amendment No. 7, with the exception of the aforementioned project, into California's 2004/2005 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. However, this approval does not constitute project eligibility determinations for any of the remaining projects in the amendment.



If you have any questions regarding this action, please call Mayela Sosa at (916) 498-5022 or Lorraine Lerman at (415) 744-2735.

Sincerely,

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